ACTFA President Report for 2017

Thank you to the committee and all the volunteers who continue to help run all our activities throughout the year. Specifically I would like to thank the Makin family for an amazing amount of involvement and support throughout the year.

2017 was an interesting and full year, with 6 different competitions covering ages U11 to Veterans, 2 ACT members joined the AFF board (Jeremy Shelley on the Athlete's Commission and Garry Webster in the Development Portfolio), and confirmation of ACT hosting the Commonwealth Championships in November 2018.

A number of ACT fencers appear on the National Rankings for 2017:

			ACT#	top rank	total ranked		ACT#	top rank	total ranked
Open	epee	men	10	3	108	women	3	39	53
	foil		4	24	89		1	36	48
	sabre		2	19	48		2	16	33
Veteran	epee		9	4 (50+)	23				
	foil		4	1 (50+)	13				
	sabre		7	2 (40+)	11				
U23	epee		3	15	44		1	28	29
	foil		1	19	53		1	28	32
	sabre		1	12	30		2	8	20
Junior	epee		2	13	40				
	foil		1	9	43		1	24	27
	sabre		1	10	24		2	3	16
Cadet	epee		1	18	30				
	sabre		1	4	17				

Looking at our Operational and Strategic Plans, we have met many of the goals we set. There are areas we have not achieved in through a lack of people resources. The tables in appendix 1 outline the goals and what we have done in 2017 to achieve them.

Specifically, I recommend the 2018 committee focuses on the following areas:

- involvement of fencers and parents in the organizing events and activities;
- transparency of committee processes;
- succession strategies for office bearers;
- follow up from the planning day by booking venues and resources well in advance of events.

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